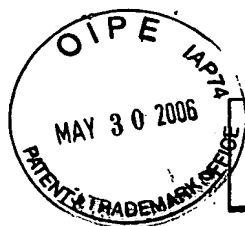


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Sir:

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL
REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2006,
Applicants provide the following remarks for consideration.

Consideration of the remarks after final is proper under 37 C.F.R.
§1.116 because 1) no amendments are made; 2) no further search or consideration of
the claims is required; 3) the remarks clarify issues previously presented; 4) the
remarks address issues newly presented in the final Office Action; and 5) the remarks
place the application in condition for allowance, or at least in better condition for
appeal, should an appeal be necessary. Entry and consideration of the remarks is thus
respectfully solicited.

The Office Action is indicated to be a final action. However,
two new rejections, as indicated in the Office Action on page 2, are set forth
over claims 8-16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). There is no indication in the Office
Action that the new rejections were necessitated by Applicants' amendments.
Thus, the finality of the rejection is improper and should be withdrawn. Such
action is respectfully requested.